മിസ്റ്റർ പി. നാരായണമേനോൻ: എന്നാൽ പുരപണിയുന്നതിനു കൊടുക്കുന്ന ലിസ്റ്റിൽ ഈ ആക്സിഡണ്ട് ഉണ്ടാകുമോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. ബാലകൃഷ്ണമേനോൻ: പുര വലിയ കാറുകൊണ്ടു വീണതാണ്.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. നാരായണമേനോൻ; ഈ സൈക്കോനിൽ വീണതാണോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. ബാലകൃഷ്ണമേനോൻ; അതുപോലെ ഒരു വലിയ കാറിൽ വീണതാണ്. സൈക്കോൺ കാലത്തല്ല.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated)*: Out of the 4 boys involved in the accident the management has spent something only on one boy. Has the management agreed to compensate the other 3 boys also?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: No. If you really want information about it I should look at the provision of law. In fact I looked into it. I am afraid that these boys are hardly entitled to get anything by way of compensation. Because only in the case of complete or partial disablement are they entitled to compensation. Even otherwise I understand the management has already promised to give something to them. If you press the matter I do not know what will be the result.

Mr. P. Sankara Menon *(Trichur-North)*: Are the Government quite sure that the Workmen's Compensation Act will apply to Cashew-nut Factories?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: That was my conclusion on a study of the Act. Personally I believe so.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General)*: It will apply because for any accident occurring in the course of employment undertaken by any individual he is entitled to compensation. The only thing is he must be a workman within the definition of the Act, and accident should have occurred within the course of employment, as defined in the Act.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated)*: It has been stated here, Sir, that for 3 weeks the boy was in hospital for treatment. So far as I know under the Workmen's Compensation Act, compensation should be paid every 15th day. Has the Government taken any action for not paying compensation in time in this case as required by the Workmen's Compensation Act?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: That is exactly what I said. In regard to those 3 boys I have got my own doubt whether they are entitled to any compensation if it comes to a question of law.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated)*: May I take it that this boy on whom the management is reported to have spent Rs. 55/- will get any further compensation, if he is entitled under law?

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development)*: If he is entitled under law he will certainly get it. Even otherwise they are willing to do that. Why should you drag them to a Court of law when they are willing to do it of their own accord?

SECRETARY—BARBERS' UNION

124. Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Ezhuvas-Kanayannur)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Government or any of their officers have received any telegram from the Secretary, the Cochin Barber Labourers' Union, that he was while going along the road called to the Police Station, Mattancheri, abused and given blows by a Head Constable on 10th Edavam 1121;

(*b*) what action was taken on the telegram?

Mr. B. V. K. Menon *(Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter was enquired into and the allegation was found to be false.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

125. Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) when the present Advisory Committee on Education was formed;

(*b*) how many times it has met after its constitution;

(*c*) the other Advisory Committees and the respective number of times they have been called?

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Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) On 23rd Chingam 1121. (The election of one of the members of this Committee being declared invalid, another had to be substituted in his place. The election of the substitute was made in February 1946).

(*b*) Once.

(*c*) 1. Advisory Committee on Medicine and Public Health—Met once.

2. Advisory Committee on Agriculture, Co-operation, Panchayats and Depressed Classes—Met 4 times.

3. Advisory Committee on Industries and Commerce including Forests, Fisheries and Public Works—Met once.

4. Advisory Committee on Labour—Met once.

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu):* May I know, Sir, if there are definite and clear rules regarding the meetings of these Advisory Committees?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* The rule is ordinarily two meetings of this committee should be held during a year.

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Are we to take it that the rules of meetings of all these committees are uniform?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* Yes. That is, ordinarily there should be two meetings in a particular year.

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Sir, I was supplied with a copy of the rules regarding the Educational Advisory Committee. There it is stated that the committee would be meeting twice a year. But my committee has met only once during the whole year. What is the reason for this violation of the rule?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* Generally this committee meets when the Director of Public Instruction seeks any advice from the committee. This year it so happened that only once he sought advice regarding the assumption of management of certain schools when we convened a meeting of the committee. At the same time it also lies to the members of the committee to make such requests. Immediately we receive such requests we respond. And in this particular case no member of the committee at any time asked for a meeting to be convened.

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu):* We were not aware of this procedure. Now that you have explained we shall surely do so in future.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated):* Sir, with regard to the committee on Medicine and Public Health there was only one meeting. Is it the case of the Government that there has not been any request from any member of the committee to convene a further meeting?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* I only looked into the matter regarding Advisory Committee on Education. As regards the committee on Public Health and Medicine I want notice.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated):* May I know why there was only one meeting in the case of the committee on Medicine and Public Health?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* Ordinarily these meetings are held when we receive requests either from the Head of the Department or a member of the committee concerned. There should be some subject to be discussed.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated):* So do you say that in the case of the committee on Medicine and Public Health there were no subjects for discussion sent by some members?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* I cannot say from memory, whether members of that particular committee had sent in subjects for discussion.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated):* May I remind the Hon'ble Secretary .....

Mr. President: Order, order. Question time is not an opportunity for reminding members of Government.

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu):* In sub-division (c) 2, it is stated that the Advisory Committee on Agriculture, Co-operation etc., met four times this year. How can you account for it?

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Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* There is no objection in a committee meeting any number of times if there is sufficient material for discussion. In this particular case we had discussed the question of the Nelliampathy Fruit Farm and we had to hold four meetings?

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu):* So is it the position of Government that no meeting will be convened unless the Head of Department puts in a requisition or the members concerned requests.....

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* Or Government must feel the necessity.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know, Sir, whether the extra meeting of the Advisory Committee on Agriculture, Co-operation, etc., was in connection with the appointment of the Manager of the Fruit Farm?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* Yes. It is in connection with the Fruit Farm as a whole and also in connection with the appointment of a Manager.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. നാരായണമേനോൻ: Answer (c) 4ൽ അഡൈവസറിക്കമ്മറ്റി ഒരിക്കൽ കൂടി എന്തുപറഞ്ഞുവല്ലോ. അന്ന വല്ല ഉപദേശവും കൊടുത്തോ?

റാവു സാഹിബ്ബ് സി. ജെ. മാത്യു: അഞ്ചെട്ടുപോയിന്റ്സ് ഡിസ്കസ്സ് ചെയ്തു. I have got copy of the proceedings with me. Four or five important subjects were discussed.

Mr. P. Narayana Menon *(Trippunittura):* Were they discussed alone, or have yo come to conclusions also?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* They have come to conclusions also.

Mr. M. K. Raja *(Mulakunnathukavu):* The rules lay down that the scope of the committee is to discuss the day to day questions of administration and not broad questions of policy. The Education department is one of the important departments where everyday questions of an administrative nature crop up. Do not the Government therefore consider that these matters should be placed before the committee ?

Rao Sahib C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* Government have no objection.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. നാരായണമേനോൻ: ആ അഡൈവസ് ഗവർമ്മെണ്ട് പ്രവൃത്തിയിൽ വരുത്തണമെന്നുണ്ടോ?

റാവു സാഹിബ്ബ് സി. ജെ. മാത്യു: തീർച്ചയായിട്ടും.

STATE AID TO INDUSTRIES ACT—LOANS UNDER

126. Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) how many applications were received by Government for loans or advances under the State Aid-to-Industries Act ;

(*b*) when were they received ;

(*c*) how many of the applications have been disposed of and in what way ;

(*d*) what is the total amount of money involved in the applications?

Mr. B. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Development):*

(*a*) 30.

(*b*) & (*c*) A statement containing date of receipt of application, amount of loan applied for and the amount granted is appended. *(Vide Appendix II).*

(*d*) Rs. 21,450.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണനെഴുത്തച്ഛൻ: ഓരോ അപ്ലിക്കേഷനും ഡിസ്പോസു ചെയ്യുവാൻ ഇത്രതാമസമെന്താണ്? രണ്ടുമാസത്തോളം താമസം കാണുന്നുണ്ട്.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. ബാലകൃഷ്ണമേനോൻ: ലോൺ അപ്ലിക്കേഷൻ കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ആലോചിക്കുവാൻ ഓരോ താലൂക്കിലും നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള കമ്മറ്റിക്ക അയച്ചുകൊടുക്കണം. അവർ സൌകര്യംപോലെ ആലോചിച്ച് എഴുതിഅയക്കേണ്ടിവരുന്നതുകൊണ്ടാണ് കുറച്ചു താമസം വരുന്നത്.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണനെഴുത്തച്ഛൻ: ഇതിൽ ആവിണിശ്ശേരി കോവാപ്പറേറീവു സൊസൈറ്റിയിൽനിന്നും കൊടുത്തിട്ടുള്ള ലോൺ അപ്ലിക്കേഷനെപ്പറ്റി ആലോചിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

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